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This vacation was interpreted as an expression of protest by Rajk, who considered his transfer as a loss of prestige since there is no

25X1X <sup>2</sup>• Matyas Rakosi's policy for Hungary would be to follow the Moscow line, and that no pro-Tito developments could be expected in Hungary.

real power in the new position.

- Reports of Soviet troop concentrations on the Yugoslav-Hungarian border could not be confirmed
- The Hungarian Foreign Office has reportedly submitted to the Austrian Foreign Office a plan for creating a 50-meter security belt along the entire Austro-Hungarian border. This plan visualizes a cutting down of all trees in the area, and an increase in the construction of watch towers. The Austrians are reported as taking dilatory attitudes toward the proposal.

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